

**U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION  
LOG OF TELEPHONE CONFERENCE**

**SUBJECT:** Enclosure Requirements for Hand Held Hair Dryers

**DATE OF TELEPHONE CALL:** September 4, 2002.

**LOG ENTRY SOURCE:** Sheela Kadambi, ESEE

**LOCATION:** Phone call into Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM)  
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**SUMMARY OF TELEPHONE CALL:**

A working group (WG) of the above members was established during the Standard Technical Panel (STP) Meeting during October 4-5, 2001, to evaluate the enclosure ignition and flammability requirements the hand held hair dryers. On September 4, 2002 the WG discussed incident reports mentioning hot spot, localized heating areas, and enclosure melting of hand held hair dryers. The WG discussed heating element support reliability, such as sagging and loosening. Some WG members believed that the standard is already address this issue, but that it would be productive to review the test methods and sequence of testing. The WG decided to continue the dialogue on this subject.

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